



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

Case No. F-2013-08095

Ms. Caroline Letkeman
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CANADA

Dear Ms Letkeman:

Your June 4, 2012 Freedom of Information Act (FIOA) request to the Federal Bureau of Investigation surfaced a number of documents originated by the Department of State. Consequently, these documents were referred to us for appropriate handling.

We have reviewed the documents in question and have excised less than one line. That excision is made under exemption (b)(1) (national defense or foreign policy) of the FOIA

You have the right to appeal our determination by writing, within 60 days, to the Chairman, Appeals Review Panel, c/o Appeals Officer, A/GIS/IPS/PP/LA, U.S. Department of State, SA-2, Room 8100, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100. The appeal letter should refer to the case number shown in reference (c) above, clearly identify the decision being appealed, and provide supporting arguments when possible. For further information, see the Code of Federal Regulations, 22 CFR 171.52.

Sincerely,

John F. Hackett, Acting Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

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Suicide Aboard the "APOLLO"

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The apparent suicide of ex-topless dancer Susan Carol HEISTER, 23, aboard the yacht "APOLLO" at Safi on June 25 has Apollo officials visibly worried the girl's parents may force an investigation into the ship's activities. Peter WARREN, spokesman for the 360-member crew, 50 per cent of whom are Americans, told a visiting American consular officer that the Operation and Transport Corporation, Ltd. of Copenhagen would offer the parents a "sufficient" sum to ward off any legal or publicity complications.

Warren, an intelligent, well spoken British national, said that while the company, which purports to operate floating business research/training-management programs aboard the Apollo and five other smaller vessels, has nothing to hide, it still fears what he called "renewed interest" from British and perhaps, American intelligence services. Report of October 1969 indicated that Warren was avoiding contact with the American Consulate General in Casablanca for fear of running into "intelligence officers." Warren refused to discuss specifics of the alleged intelligence interest but, in a private conversation with the Consular Officer, he said he would be prepared to provide more specific answers to questions if it became absolutely necessary.

The Pacha (Mayor) of Safi, in an interview in Safi on June 28 with the American officer and Panamanian Consul General Romulo Zappi-Pere, made it very clear that he considered the Apollo representatives his "close friends" and that his office was prepared to hinder, if not block, any unilateral non-Moroccan investigations into Miss Heister's death or the ship's activities. The Pacha said his police were convinced the death

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Statement of Captain Norman P. Starkey

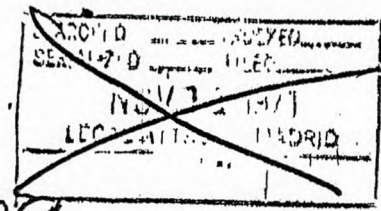
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FROM : Amconsul CASABLANCA

DATE: September 26, 1969

SUBJECT: Operation and Transport Corporation Ltd. and M/V "Apollo"

REF :

Currently in dry dock in Casablanca is a motor vessel named Apollo, which is owned and operated by a Panamanian company, Operation and Transport Corporation Ltd. The vessel is registered in Panama, but the owner of the company and at the same time the Commodore of the vessel who is aboard the Apollo, Mr. Lafayette Ronald Hubbard, is an American citizen holding passport No. 413113. The other two stock holders in the company, who are also Americans, are Mary Sue Hubbard, Passport No. 407911 and Leon Steinberg, Passport No. 1744774. The Hubbards give their address as Saint Hill Manor, East Grinstead, Sussex, England.

According to a handout prepared by the officers on the Apollo, the ship is a training vessel and has aboard some 109 trainees who are learning "the art and the culture of navigation, the theory of which when applied demonstrates a very useful practice at sea". The handout further states that the students, men and women most of whom are couples make up the ship's company.

The Panamanian Consul has boarded the Apollo several times and the American Consul General visited the ship on one occasion with him. They were shown around by a young American girl about 19 or 20 years old who said she was studying navigation. When asked if she paid for this instruction, she replied that there was no fee involved except that she and other students were required to work. When questioned as to why the owners of the vessel would train people in navigation and other maritime subjects and pay their expenses without a fee, she replied that Mr. Hubbard derived his income from "other sources". In a brief conversation aboard the vessel Mr. Leon Steinberg stated that there were many people who wished to learn about the sea and to train themselves for maritime positions; hence the Apollo's mission was a very profitable

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one. When asked why the training vessel was operated, he stated that it was for the purpose of training people to assume positions with the company, the Operation and Transport Corporation, but he declined to explain what positions they would occupy. When asked if the company operated other vessels he replied affirmatively but refused to give any details. Other crew members were questioned by the Panamanian Consul General and others who have had access to the ship and all concerned have been completely perplexed by the vagueness of the replies. In contradiction to Mr. Steinberg's statement, none of the "student/crew" have stated that they have any commitment to the company after the training period is completed.

The Apollo is a 320 foot diesel yacht of 3,287 tons built in Belfast in 1937 by Harlin and Wolf and purchased recently by Operations and Transport Corporation. The Apollo, which is now registered as a private yacht under Panamanian law, was owned by a British exploration company and was called the Royal Scotsman. The vessel is in a very bad state of repair and some of the most urgent maintenance repair jobs are being accomplished in dry dock in Casablanca. The Panamanian Consul General who boarded the vessel before it went into dry dock stated that it was not sea worthy and in his opinion the lives of the "crew" had been in jeopardy while the vessel was at sea. (It is understood that the Apollo was carrying out maneuvers in international waters for about a month off the coast of Safi prior to docking at Casablanca.

A crew list of the Apollo (copy attached) shows that there are many young American men and women besides the owners. According to this list all of the "students" are given naval titles such as Commander, Lt. Commander, Ensign, Midshipman, Chief Petty Officer, etc. All of the crew members seen by the reporting officer appear to be hippie types, although they address each other in military terms and rigorously respect the assimilated military ranks assigned.

It is possible that "Commodore" Hubbard and his wife, who has the rank of Captain, are philanthropists of some kind and/or eccentrics, but if one does not accept this as an explanation, there has to be some other "gimmick" involved in this operation. What this "gimmick" might be is unknown here, although people in Casablanca have speculated variously from smuggling to drug traffic to a far-out religious cult.

According to Leon Steinberg and other members of the crew, "Operation and Transport Corporation Ltd" has offices in London and in Hamburg. One is to be opened at Copenhagen. According to the Panamanian Consul General the Hubbards and Steinberg are investigating the possibility of opening an office in Casablanca. No one, however, has been able to find out what functions are to be carried out by such an office. Sources in Panama, who state that the Hubbards are well connected in Panama and maintain a number of very influential lawyers in the country on a retainer basis, have obtained the following information from the Panamanian Foreign Office on the Apollo:

"Operation and Transport Corporation Ltd. is a Panamanian commercial company legally operating in the Republic of Panama where it has their main office. This company was duly registered at the Public Register of the Republic of Panama the 15th of February 1968 under registration number 612-251, entry number 108,326. The company has a registered capital of US \$100,000.00. It is an American company."

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society with 100 shares of stock at par value of \$100.00 each subscribed as follows:

"Lafayette Ronald HUBBARD, American citizen, holding American passport No. 413113, and having his normal residence at Saint Hill Manor, East Grinstead, Sussex, England, acting as President of the company. (98%)

"Mary Sue HUBBARD, American citizen, holding passport No. 407911, residing also at Saint Hill Manor, East Grinstead, Sussex, England, acting as Treasurer of the Company. (1%)

"Leon STEINBERG, American citizen, holding American passport No. 1744774, having his normal residence on board the vessel "Royal Scotsman" now re-named "Apollo", acting as Secretary of the company. (1%)

"The motor yacht "Apollo" owned and operated by Operation and Transport Corporation Ltd. is classified as a pleasure craft under the Panamanian merchant marine, which excludes this vessel from regular consular investigation and is not required to have an International Certificate of Classification."

The Panamanian Consul General has tried unsuccessfully to meet Commodore Hubbard, who has taken a suite at the El Mansour Hotel and has instructed the hotel personnel to refuse all telephone calls.

Copies of this airgram are being sent to London, Hamburg, and Panama for information. The Department may care to investigate the matter further to determine whether or not there are any illegal activities connected with the motor vessel Apollo and the Operation and Transport Corporation Ltd.

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Inquiry Re Yacht Apollo

Lisbon 1337 Notal

Summary: In response to the Embassy's request for background information regarding the yacht "Apollo" the following data has been compiled from the Department's files. This airgram is based primarily upon Casablanca's A-30 of September 26, 1969. Although the source should be protected, addressee posts may refer to this report in providing informal background briefings to appropriate local authorities.

The "Apollo" is one of six vessels owned by a Panama-based company headed by one Lafayette Ron Hubbard. The "Apollo" is used as a "training ship" in connection with the pseudo-religious Church of Scientology, a Los Angeles-based organization founded by Hubbard. The unsavory reputation which Mr. Hubbard and his "church" have gained over the years has undoubtedly helped to foster speculation that the "Apollo" is used as a decoy to distract attention from the activities of its five sister ships.

Mr. Hubbard, and the OTC

The parent company of "Apollo", the Operation and Transport Corp., Ltd., was formed and registered in Panama in 1968. Family-style in nature, the company's president is L. Ron Hubbard, who owns most of the stock. His wife, Mary Sue Hubbard, is listed as company treasurer and Leon Steinberg is listed as secretary. OTC seems to be well-funded, even though its source of revenue remains obscure. It has maintained a clear record in the United States.

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The Colorful Mr. Hubbard:

Lafayette Ronald Hubbard has led a colorful life. He is known as a one-time dabbler in magic and the black arts, as well as a science-fiction writer. The London Times reports that his talents do not end there. The article quotes Hubbard as stating, "crippled and blinded at the end of the war (WWII), I resumed studies of philosophy and by my discoveries, recovered so fully that I was reclassified in 1949 for full combat duty." Mr. Hubbard also maintains a professional association with two organizations known as American Institute for Human Engineering and Development and The African Development Association. He is also reputed to have well-established Panamanian contacts. It appears that Mr. Hubbard's solid reputation in Panama balances unevenly with the unsavory reputation which his Church of Scientology earned for itself.

The "Church" and the "Apollo":

At times denied, "Apollo's" association with the Los Angeles-based Church of Scientology does exist. The Scientology is purported to be a "religious philosophy which enables an individual to learn more about himself and life". Basically, it is a "Dare to be great" type of scheme designed to strengthen areas in which an individual may be "weak", such as self-confidence, perception, inter-personal relations, etc. This is accomplished in a "credit course", tuition rates of which are \$40.00 a "credit hour". The total course consists of approximately 100 credit hours. Church of Scientology, like its sister, "Apollo", has had a history of problems. It was the subject of high-level government investigations in South Africa and Australia, where the action resulted in its permanent exclusion from the State of Victoria. Scientology and founder (Hubbard) have also been banned from England, where, after extensive investigation the Minister of Health declared in Parliament in 1968: "...that Scientology is socially harmful." Although the precise internal structure of the organization remains undetermined, participants and their activities are closely scrutinized. This surveillance extends to monitoring members' mail, which includes, at times, both receiving and responding for the addressee.

The Notorious History of "Apollo"

"Apollo" was purchased by OTC in 1969. Weighing 3207 tons, she originally had a passenger capacity of over a thousand persons. Now, she carries approximately 700 people. Since its purchase by its present owners, the yacht and its crew have exhibited a proclivity for notorious problems. In March of 1969, the vessel and her personnel were expelled from Greece, subsequent to an altercation with the authorities in Corfu.

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When "Apollo" was dry-docked for repairs in Safi, Morocco in July of 1971, an American citizen shot and killed herself on board. The irregular manner of reporting the death was noted at the time. Local officials were duly notified, but burial of the young woman had taken place before the American consular officials were aware of her demise. In response to subsequent Embassy contacts about the matter, officials of the ship evidence deep concern over the possibility of additional investigation of the ship and its activities. The ship's captain, Norman F. Starke, prepared an elaborate draft to various agencies and persons in the United States (including the President), alleging that the safety and existence of the vessel and its crew had been threatened in the name of the government of the United States by Embassy personnel, a charge later proved to be entirely unsubstantiated.

In 1969, the declared function of the yacht was for the purpose of training "its employees in the art and culture of navigation, the theory of which, when applied, demonstrates a very useful practice at sea." Two years later, company brochures indicated that the ship is used for business management and business training purposes, the pursuit of which includes courses in business management systems and organizations, tourism, and data analysis technology.

It is not infrequently speculated that "Apollo" is used as a "decoy" to distract attention from the still-unknown activities of its five sister ships. A perhaps more accurate speculation might be that "Apollo" has a volatile or multi-faceted function.

Any additional information regarding the activities of the "Apollo", the Church of Scientology or OCT and "Apollo's" five sister ships coming to the attention of addressee posts should be reported to the Department (SCS) as expeditiously as possible.

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FIELD OFFICE Los Angeles	DATE REPORTED June 23, 1969	DATES INVESTIGATED 6/18 & 19, 1969	REPORTING AGENT Olof E. Saline
SYNOPSIS Inquiries conducted at Arizona State Prison; Florence, Arizona, reveal that Scientology literature, instructions and equipment are being utilized by the Narconon Drug Therapy Group at Arizona State Prison. Prison officials knowledgeable regarding use of Scientology literature and equipment. Details set forth. - CLOSED - REFERENCE: Headquarters TWX dated June 12, 1969. DETAILS: On June 18, 1969, Assistant Prison Warden Dale F. BRANDFAS and Senior Captain A. G. JIMINEZ, Officer in Charge of Inmates, both of the Arizona State Prison, Florence, Arizona, were jointly interviewed. Both Sources advised that this prison has a Narconon Drug Therapy Group in existence among the prison inmates. This group reportedly has been functioning for approximately three years and its purpose is to help the prison inmates who were narcotic addicts adjust to a life without a dependency on narcotics. Source JIMINEZ was further identified as being a semi-sponsor of this group which reportedly has an inmate membership of 70-80 inmates at present. O/SY/I:IAFO:OESaline:js			
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Calif The Narconon Drug Therapy Group reportedly was founded by a former inmate, William BENITEZ, identified as currently residing somewhere in the Los Angeles, California area. In response to questioning, both Sources advised that the Narconon Drug Therapy Group is interested and active in the Scientology movement as those inmates feel that the use of Scientology can assist in helping narcotic addicts deal with their personal problems. Scientology literature reportedly is brought to the prison by an individual identified as Jack SELNER, who is identified as being the Arizona State coordinator of Scientology, residing at SELNER is further identified as being a former prison inmate. Another source, identified as being active in the Church of Scientology at Phoenix, Arizona, is one Source BRANDFAS recalled seeing various advertisements in the Phoenix, Arizona newspapers extolling the virtues and principles of Scientology. b6 b7c

Both Sources advised that they consider the inmates interested in Scientology to number approximately 12. Both Sources advised that a larger number of inmates do attend these meetings, however, usually do so in an effort to avoid work details or other assignments rather than having a genuine interest in Scientology. One who is the Narconon chairman in the prison, is also head of the inmate Scientology movement. reportedly is an inmate from California and is due to be released in the near future upon completion of his sentence. Additionally, William BENITEZ, supra, reportedly is attempting to initiate a Scientology movement chapter at the California State Prison at San Quentin, California. Both Sources question the effectiveness of the Scientology movement, however, did comment that it gave some of the inmates something to do and helped keep them out of trouble. Source BRANDFAS added that the Scientology-oriented inmates also have what is known in those circles as "an e-meter." b7c

Source BRANDFAS also furnished the reporting agent a copy of the Narconon newsletter recently put out by the prison chapter which reflects its interests and activities with Scientology. A copy of the newsletter is attached to instant report for transmittal to SY Headquarters.

Inquiries with the Tucson, Arizona Police Department on June 19, 1969, revealed that there may be a chapter of the Scientology

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NORCONON DRUG THERAPY GROUP
aka NARCONON DRUG THERAPY GROUP

movement initiating in that city. One [redacted], aka [redacted], an English national who immigrated to the United States from Canada, reportedly holds local meetings about once a month in that city. No additional information was available regarding his activities at this time. b7c
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ATTACHMENT (To Original Only):

Narconon Newsletter

Try it on your next trip. I like everything else in Scientology it was
Sample dialogue

George: Gwon, if you don't slip Scientology. I'm going to leave you.

Gwon: (savage) George! What have you been doing?

George: What do you mean?

Gwon: Out with it. Woman? Thief? Murder? What crime have you committed?

George: (weakly) Oh, nothing like that.

Gwon: What, then?

George: I've been holding back on my pay.....

If you the criticized are savage enough and insistent enough in your demand for
the crime, you'll get the text motor or no motor.

Never discuss Scientology with the critic. Just discuss his or her crimes, known
and unknown. And act completely confident that those crimes exist. Because they do.

Life will suddenly become much more interesting - you'll become much less
suppressed!

L. RON HUBBARD

SUCCESS SUCCESS SUCCESS SUCCESS.....

TR-0: For me I can't validate this drill enough - we have at NARCONON at present
no auditing so we do the next best thing our TR's. The other day I was subjected to a
few hours of big time (picture book) ontheta right out of the bank. It effected me. The
next evening we had our regular ontheta commencing with TR-0. I go into session - I
am there I relax and I let things flow - after a period of hell off this mass that was
created by the ontheta disappears and I can BE again. Man, like its to beautiful to say
more when your there you know.

Don Mesaros

P.E. Instr.

I've been a drug addict for eight years. In 1964 I was forced to take the cure
at the California Rehabilitation Center at Corona. It didn't work. I still wanted to
get loaded, cause thats all I enjoyed in life. In 1968 I busted in Arizona on another
dope charge, and I'm now doing time in the State Prison. Here I joined a group called
"NARCONON". In this group we study and it is thru Scientology, that I resolved my drug
problem. I won't allow myself to be the effect of drugs ever again. For the first time
in my 35 years I can see where I'm going. Thanks to Scientology I'm more able more aware
and understanding and confident. I can hardly wait till I can get some professional aud-
iting and processing. Scientology is exciting and wonderful and workable. Thats it.
THANK YOU PAUL B JESSEE *****

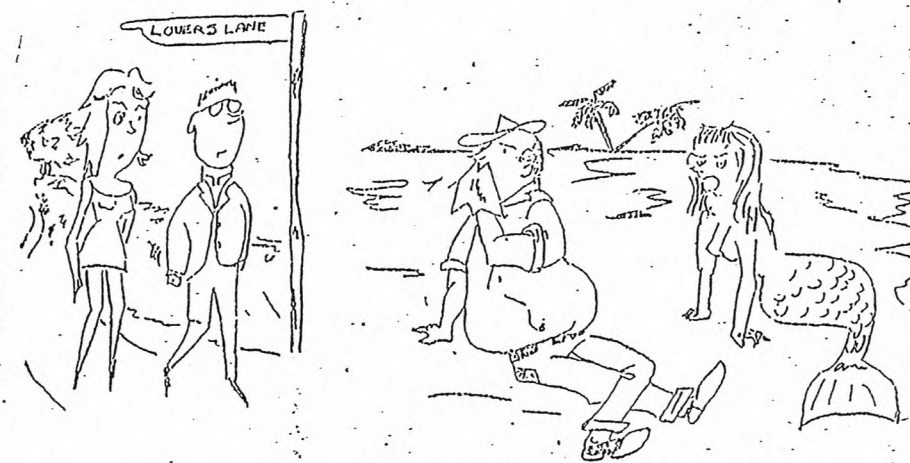
There was in the long ago's past when Egypt was just a fertile valley for nomadic herdsmen
a baby born to god fearing goat herders. Aunk & Aunka the worthy parents of the now baby
Spunka, wanted very much for there baby to grow up respecting the gods and good in all as-
pects. In order to assure that Spunka would never forget the presence of the gods they
placed a heavy weight on his shoulders. As he grow up they increased the weight in pro-
portion to Spunka's size. This weight was called Bank because it came from the river bank.
(A heavy gray clay that was unbelievably dense). Spunka grow up his shoulders bowed, it
with always with him. Being away from civilization he never had a chance to wonder if
everyone carried a weight, he took it for granted, it was a vital part of him. But one
day while watching the goats he fell into a troubled sleep. When he awakened to his horror
all the goats were gone! Vainly he searched for the missing goats. Nowhat, nowhere nowhy,
puff they had vanished. Spunka felt that he must so do the same. So putting his left in
front of his right he hooked them over the nearest hill. To tell of his struggle across
the unfertile part of that land of old would only bore the reader at this time. However
totally unbeknownst to him he was headed in the direction of Dia-Soio a village of some
pretty groovy people as they say today. Anyway, Spunka, wandered into Dia-Soio and was
immediately taken aback (that means that he was suprised) all the people in this clean
white village were not carrying their banks. Well, you can imagine what Spunka thought,
these heathens have no respect to the gods. He was about to flee from this den of din
when he noticed that the people without exception were very happy, carefree, confident, and
friendly. (Will frankly there just wasn't enough adjectives in his native tongue to run it
down) POFA Aunk had always told Spunka that people who never wore the bank were always so
and mean and well just no account. It was all so confusing. What finally stayed his foot
was not the pros and cons of bank or no bank: rather it was the sound of cool well water
being drawn by a fair maiden that decided him to stay for awhile. Excuse me, fair maiden
but what's the chances of getting some of that hteric water? asked Spunka. "Sit down here
traveller, and I will draw up a drink for you." Well, they began to talk and pretty soon
Spunka was sold on the idea of making a go of it in Dia-Soio. What can I do to live here
"That's a easy: got rid of your bank.". Well to make a long story short Spunka went to the
bank removing Blacksmith and Bank smith (who's name was was Aut) and his bank was removed
from his now aching shoulders. Ah the peachy peace, the beautifullness of it all. The
maiden who drew the water? her name was Uua. They became married and lived happier and
and happier.

How's Spunka

GO TO THE HALL, LOOKS AND
GENERALITY, THERE IS YOUR
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A GOOD TAIL WIND, THE CHAND
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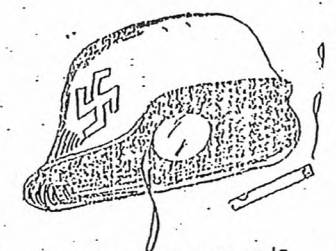
THE SIDE OF THE UPPER, YOU WILL
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Paul Baban of the Miami, Fla Org sent us an addressograph. BOY! is it enthusiastic! If you'll look at the envelope that this Newsletter came in you'll see. THEN OUT OF THE MAIL ROOM CAME SOME BOOKS FROM NEW YORK CITY ORG: WE DO NOT KNOW WHICH TERMINAL SENT THEM SO WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE YOUNGEST AND THE OLDEST SCIENTOLOGIST AND ALL THE ONES IN BETWEEN FOR THE FOLLOWING BOOKS:

Notes on the Lectures of L Ron Hubbard (10 copies); Dianetics: The Evolution of a Science (14 copies); Dianetics: Modern Science of Mental Health (4 copies); Scientology: How Slant on Life (11); Miracle of Breakfast (4); Fundamentals of Thought (4); Have you Lived Before This Life (2) (yes I have. Thank you); Problems of Work (8) (this particular work is no problem, I mean its final); All about Radiation (5) (I was younger than I am now when that happened); How to Live Through An Executive (3) (This vol has sure helped me out); Child Dianetics (5) (wouldn't it be groovy if all parents read this book before starting to add to the Second Dynamic); Hand book for Prosleers (7) (its creating good effects); Self Analysis (4) (don't be fooled its not by Freud); Advanced Procedures and Axioms (2) (its really startling the things one forgets); The Book Introducing the E-meter (6) (Now that I've been introduced what is the next step?); The Book of E Meter Drills (2) (of course) (where is the E meter); The Book of Vaso Remedies (1) (ern); Scientology G-80 (1) (that means infinity to infinity times theta); What are People for (1) (How many people have been looking for that answer?); Dianetics: The Original Thesis (1) (Well, he had to start somewhere); Dianetics: A new Understanding of Man (1); Information for :aloses (1) (All about Scientology (1); Ceremonies (3); Abilities (4); N.E. Academy of Scientology (1); Standard Webster Dictionary (1); Scientology: The Field Staff "erbor Magazine (1); Hubbard Short Of Attitudes (1); Hubbard Graduation Charts (2); Caterpillar 5 (1); Book Price List (1)

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THANKS A LOT FOR ALL THE SCIENTOLOGIST WHO SENT MONEY FOR THE KEYCHAINS; HOWEVER THERE IS A STOP UNTIL IT CAN BE CHECKED AS TO THE LEGALITY OF IT. SO HOLD THOSE MONEY ORDERS FOR KEY CHAINS.

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TAGS: CGEN, PO, MO
SUBJECT: INQUIRY RE YACHT APOLLO.

REF: LISBON 1337 NOTAL

1. WE HAVE INCH THICK FILE ON A SHIP "APOLLO" DATING FROM 1969 AND CENTERING ON 1971 SUICIDE ABOARD OF AMCIT SUSAN MEISTER WHILE DOCKED AT SAFI, MOROCCO. SHIP WAS PANAMA-REGISTERED, OWNED BY OPERATION AND TRANSPORT CORP., LTD., OF COPENHAGEN. WHILE FACTS VERY MURKY, SHIP AND ENTERPRISE SEEM TO HAVE BEEN OWNED/CONTROLLED BY L. RON HUBBARD, HEAD OF "SCIENTOLOGY" CULT, AND CREW APPARENTLY CONSISTED OF CONVERTS TO SCIENTOLOGY UNDERGOING SOME KIND OF TRAINING. FILE INCLUDES EMBASSY LONDON MESSAGES ON UK ACTIVITIES OF SCIENTOLOGISTS. CASABLANCA PORT OFFICIALS SAY APOLLO HAS NOT PUT IN HERE FOR 8-10 MONTHS.

2. BELIEVE DEPARTMENT HAS HEAVY DOCUMENTATION ABOVE CASE AND PERHAPS OTHER INFORMATION ON APOLLO, HUBBARD, ET AL. WE WILL PROVIDE MORE DETAILED REPORT IF REQUIRED.

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1.- ADVANCE MAN (A MR. SHOMER--PHONETIC) FOR APOLLO APPEARED ON TRINIDAD TELEVISION APRIL 21, AND STATED THAT SHIP WOULD ARRIVE IN TRINIDAD ON MAY 1 AND REMAIN ABOUT 20 DAYS. IN A FIFTEEN-MINUTE INTERVIEW, HE SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, VARIOUS EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, AND CHARITABLE AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR FREE APPEARANCES OF APOLLO'S ENTERTAINMENT GROUPS.

2. INTERVIEWER ATTEMPTED TO ASCERTAIN PURPOSE OF SHIP'S VISIT TO TRINIDAD, ALTHOUGH SPOKESMAN MADE LENGTHY RESPONSES. DISCUSSING PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF CREW AKND PASSENGERS IN AREAS INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT. HE DID NOT INDICATE SOURCE OF FINANCIAL BACKING, NAMES OF CLIENTS, OR MEANS BY WHICH SHIP SELF-SUSTAINING. WHEN QUERIED ABOUT HEADQUARTERS OF "OPERATION AND TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION," SHOMER SAID ITS HEAD OFFICE IS WHEREVER SHIP HAPPENS TO BE, AND THAT IT CAN BE REACHED THROUGH ITS HANDLING AGENTS. HE SAID

THAT THE YACHT--WHICH HE CALLED A FLOATING OFFICE BUILDING---
HAD OPERATED IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA BEFORE GOING TO
CURACAO, AND THAT PORT OF SPAIN IS ONE OF PORTS OF CALL
CHOSEN BY SHIP'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS". HE GAVE NO INKLING
AS TO NEXT DESTINATION, SAYING THAT APOLLO HAD NEVER VISITED
UNITED STATES BUT MIGHT GO THERE SINCE MANY ABOARD ARE
AMERICANS, BUT THAT IT ALSO MIGHT SAIL INTO THE SOUTH
ATLANTIC. SHOMER EMPHASIZED THAT GOOD COMMUNICATION
LINKS ARE NEEDED IN YACHT'S PORTS OF CALL, SAYING THAT
THEY DEPEND UPON TELEX AND POSTAL SYSTEMS TO CONDUCT THEIR
BUSINESS. ENTIRE INTERVIEW MIGHT BE CONSIDERED EFFECTIVE
PUBLIC RELATIONS ANNOUNCEMENT OF ARRIVAL OF SHIP, BUT
LISTENERS WERE CERTAINLY LEFT IN THE DARK IN ALL SIGNIFICANT
ASPECTS.

3. EMBASSY SHARES AMCONGEN CURACAO'S CONCERN ABOUT
LEGITIMACY OF THIS SHIP AND THOSE ON BOARD, AND ANTICIPATES
QUERIES FROM GOTT OFFICIALS AND BUSINESS GROUPS BEFORE AND
DURING ITS STAY IN TRINIDAD. WOULD APPRECIATE ALL
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CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Tangier, Morocco

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February 12, 1971

Vadja V. Kolombatovic, Esquire
Legal Attache
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Dear Mr. Kolombatovic:

Thank you for your memo of January 26 concerning Bernardine Dohrn. I am glad to know you have already notified the Moroccan police because we were debating whether or not to write a letter to the local Police Chief. I will let you know immediately if we learn anything about her whereabouts.

While I am writing to you, let me mention another subject which might possibly be of some interest. Several months ago a new sign went up on a group of buildings on the airport road. That sign reads "Operation and Transport Corporation, Limited, International Business Management" in English, French and Arabic. I recently met at a social function a young, American lady associated with this new enterprise. She introduced herself to an American standing with me in this way: "I am Meredith Thomas, I am here with a Panamanian corporation, and that is all I can tell you".

I have previously heard of "Operation and Transport Corporation, Limited" in connection with a ship called the "Apollo" which has visited Tangier and Casablanca. The "commodore" of that ship during a visit to Casablanca (Casablanca A-30 dated September 26, 1969) was L. Ron Hubbard, who is, I believe, the founder of Scientology. I have seen one of Hubbard's pamphlets and understand why Scientology appeals to some minds and outrages others. As far as I am aware, Scientology operates more or less openly in the United States, as well as in several other countries. I have been told one of its activities is selling correspondence courses at around \$2,000 each. While I know that Scientology has been denounced by many people, I am not aware that it has ever been accused of illegal activities by American authorities.

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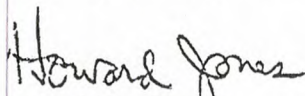
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So, the air of mystery on the good ship "Apollo" and with respect to "Operation and Transport Corporations" presence in Tangier may not mask any illegal activity; still, I thought it worthwhile to check with you just in case you have some information to suggest otherwise.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,



Howard D. Jones
Consul General

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FROM : Amembassy COPENHAGEN

DATE: June 23, 1972

SUBJECT: The Church of Scientology in Denmark

REF :

DENMARK

The following information on Scientology is submitted in response to interest expressed at the Vienna Consular Conference in November, 1971 for pertinent information on this movement.

Scientology has been active in Denmark since at the least the mid-1960s, and it has been as difficult to learn of its operations, methods, and doctrinal content here as in other places where it has had branches. To the Embassy's knowledge, it has two offices in the Greater Copenhagen area, and the steam yacht, "Athena", moored in Copenhagen Harbor and operating under the aegis of the Operations and Transport Corporation (OTC), and Advance Organization Saint Hill (AOSH). The "Athena" is used as a mailing address for persons involved in Scientology.

As far as the Danish police are concerned, the Scientologists in Denmark are not engaged in any illegal activities. Their young people distribute leaflets about their religion, and they give courses in "Dianetics".

The Embassy had a series of stiff exchanges in 1971 with one Niels W. KJELLERUP, who describes himself as the "A/Guardian for Europe, Church of Scientology of California World Wide", on the question of direct contact between this Embassy and private American citizens, giving Scientology installations and ships as addresses, and concerning whom information is being sought by next-of-kin in the United States. Mr. Kjellerup and others in the Scientology

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organization have steadfastly refused to facilitate direct contact with such American citizens and have insisted on serving as messengers in both directions. In connection with the case of Miss Margaret Manning, the following paragraphs from a letter written on April 22, 1971, by the then Consul to Mr. Kjellerup in response to his inquiry, give the Embassy's position quite clearly:

"Returning to principles, it has been the responsibility of United States consular officers since the founding of our nation to protect United States citizens abroad. Seeking information on the welfare/whereabouts of United States citizens is an integral part of our work. We must naturally pay particular attention to requests for assistance from the parents of minor children. By the standards of most nations, including the United States and Denmark, Miss Manning was a minor. In carrying out their responsibilities, consular officers are not to be impeded by intermediate parties in establishing contact with anyone who is the subject of a welfare/whereabouts inquiry. Every action I took in the Manning case was in keeping with my assigned responsibilities as a consular officer.

The Manning case is now closed. But, Copenhagen remains the city to which mail for the Apollo and, as you indicated, other Scientology ships is sent for forwarding. It is natural to assume that the parents, relatives and interested friends of those United States citizens aboard these ships will turn to the Embassy at Copenhagen for assistance if and when needed.

During your visit, you explained to me that it was the policy of your organization to withhold information as to the location of the Apollo and other ships. In the absence of any current inquiry, I am not particularly interested in knowing the present location of these ships.

I was greatly pleased, however, when you informed me that you would extend your full cooperation should there be a recurrence of a case similar to that of Miss Manning, i.e. that you would inform me of the location of the Apollo or any similar ship so that I could relay a particular request for welfare/whereabouts assistance to the consular officer having jurisdiction over the port in which the Apollo would be at that time docked in order that he might be able to carry on his legitimate responsibilities."

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The Embassy does not currently have any occasion to approach Copenhagen's Scientologists. However, as we are now in the midst of the busy tourist season, such occasions might well arise. We would appreciate any general guidance or background on Scientology that the Department or other posts have to offer.

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REFS: CURACAO 207, STATE 92340, PORT OF SPAIN 899

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L. Ron Hubbard

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FROM : Amconsul TANGIER

DATE: October 8, 1969

SUBJECT: "African Development Foundation" Representative Approaches CAFRAD

REF : (1) Casablanca's A-30 of September 26, 1969; (2) Abidjan's 2773 and 2789

Reference messages and miscellaneous data available here suggest that Lafayette Ronald Hubbard, President of "Operation and Transport Corporation, Limited," Panama, and "Commodore" of M/V "Apollo," is the guru of the Scientology movement and probably the promoter of "The American Institute for Human Engineering and Development" and the "African Development Foundation." A presumed associate of Hubbard, Richard S. Wrigley (ref 2), is currently in Tangier as representative of the latter two organizations.

Mr. Wrigley has called at CAFRAD (known in English as "The African Training and Research Center in Administration for Development"), a regional organization located here which has been receiving support from UNESCO and USAID. Mr. Wrigley sought information on CAFRAD's activities and then followed up with a letter addressed to CAFRAD's former director in which he indicated that "The African Development Foundation" was prepared to supply to CAFRAD an expert in human engineering to assist on CAFRAD projects and conduct independent research. A copy of Mr. Wrigley's letter is attached. The letterhead of this letter is "Operation and Transportation Corporation, Limited."

Dr. David Kimble, Research Director of CAFRAD, consulted this Consulate General for background on the organization Mr. Wrigley claims to represent. Dr. Kimble told us that the First Secretary of the Ivory Coast Embassy in Rabat "pressured" the Director of CAFRAD

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to assist Mr. Wrigley. Dr. Kimble described Mr. Wrigley as extremely smooth and pleasant but very uninformed about African development and very vague about the aims and program of the Foundation he purports to represent. The Consulate General informed Kimble that we have no official guidance on Operation and Transport Corporation and its affiliated activities, but briefed him on substance of reference messages. Judging from Kimble's own reactions to Mr. Wrigley and his proposal, we do not anticipate that CAFRAD will give Wrigley any serious encouragement. However, we have not seen Department's reply to Abidjan's queries and would be glad to pass on to CAFRAD any further information or views that Department may consider appropriate.

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OPERATION AND TRANSPORT CORPORATION LTD.

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27th September, 1969.

The Director
Mr. Abdel Rahman Abdalla,
CAFRAD,
BP 310,
Tangier,
Morocco.

Dear Mr. Abdalla,

I have recently visited the Offices of CAFRAD and spoken with various personnel, including your Director of Research, Dr. Kimble.

My interest is that I have been appointed to represent 'The American Institute for Human Engineering and Development' who are the executors of 'The African Development Foundation', which is a fund to be utilized for programmes of executive and educational training in Africa.

The 'African Development Foundation' is a private foundation, whose funds are donated by private American citizens.

Human Engineering is a newly organised study of organisational theory and practice and deals with such topics as:

- Leadership.
- Planning, Programming and Execution.
- Statistical control of production.
- Basic organisational patterns.
- Theory of groups.
- The individual, his basic conflicts.
- Causes of conflicts within groups, and its prevention and resolution.
- Communication, problems and responsibility.
- Educational development.

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The material is not aligned to either public administration nor private business, but can and is utilized in schools, business, and development programmes.

An example is a research programme being done with the support of the Danish Government in the form of a school using accelerated educational methods for children. A further experimental programme is in co-operation with a Swedish Commission into Drug addiction, utilizing methods of handling drug addiction and its resolution.

Other researches have been into business efficiency, and programming, and certain of the principles have been utilized by senior persons working in the US Aero-space programmes with NASA.

The results of all this work is now co-ordinated and termed 'Human Engineering'.

The concern of the benefactors of the 'African Development Foundation', is that they feel the utilization of these studies could be of benefit for African development, and further wish to see a development of co-operation between US and African Nations, but developed on private lines, thus bypassing what can be lengthy and often unsatisfactory Government decisions and actions.

The initial proposal is the establishment of an 'African Institute for Human Engineering and Development'. This institute will conduct researches as to the optimum utilization of the material in its introduction in Africa.

The institute will also conduct researches into the field of twinning US and African cities with industrial or topographical similarities. This developed will be in the interest of increasing communication, and supplying experts in fields needed in the twinned cities' development and education, many of whom are at present missing.

The Institute's scope will be fairly open and definitely directed such that its programmes do not duplicate existing programmes in their scope and activity.

Putting all this to one side, the second interest of the benefactors is co-operation and assistance to existing groups.

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It is for this purpose that I visited CAFRAD during the conference and studied literature and spoke with representatives. I had two points in mind -

- (1) The actual purposes and aims of CAFRAD.
- (2) The personnel employed in CAFRAD activities and their outlook and general attitudes.

I have concluded my observations and have the following proposal to make which I offer for your consideration and hopeful acceptance.

I will arrange for one person who is of suitable qualification and is also expert in the field covered by Human Engineering, to work for CAFRAD, at the Tangier centre. The expenses and salary of this person to be met by the 'African Development Foundation'. This person to assist on CAFRAD projects, and also to conduct his own research to evaluate utilization of the data covered by Human Engineering in Public Administration in Africa and Administration Schools.

The direct donation of monies for the support of CAFRAD is not something that can be considered at present, but as the interest of the benefactors of the Foundation is co-operation with other groups working for similar purposes, then I can offer the services of a qualified person who could benefit CAFRAD.

There is considerable interest in the USA at present for assistance in educational programmes for Africa, and the US Congress has in fact just allocated \$2,000,000 for the commencement of the University being handled by the North African University Association to be built across the bay from Tangier City.

My previous conversation with Dr. Kimble was not actually completed. However, I have sent him a copy of this letter and feel that he is now fully informed.

I shall be very pleased to discuss the matter further and will be available after the 4th October to visit Tangier.

Please contact me at the 'Tour Hassan' Hotel.

Yours sincerely,

Richard S. Wrigley,
Account Executive
African Development Foundation.

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The Embassy has an extensive file on the activities of Mr. Hubbard. He and his church group Scientology have been banned from the UK as being contrary to the public good. We understand the Scientology group has also been expelled from Greece.

The organization was the subject of a report of a board of inquiry which was printed in 1965. We believe the enclosed clipping from the Sunday Times of October 5, 1969 should give the Consulate general enough flavor and background on the affairs of Mr. Hubbard to guide its contacts with him.

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1. REF AIRGRAM TRANSMITTED GOVERNMENT OF VICTORIA DOCUMENTS, AT LATTER'S REQUEST FOR FORWARDING TO THE LAS VEGAS POLICE WHO HAS REQUESTED THEM. THESE DOCUMENTS -- REPORT OF BOARD OF INQUIRY INTO SCIENTOLOGY, AND APPENDIX 19 TO SAME -- ARE CONDEMNATORY OF SCIENTOLOGY {NOW RECOGNIZED BY GOA AS A LEGITIMATE RELIGION} AND CONGEN HAS POINTED OUT THAT THE VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT ANTICIPATES THAT THE FOUNDER OF SCIENTOLOGY MAY INITIATE LIBEL ACTION AGAINST VICTORIA. CONGEN REQUESTED DEPARTMENT TO FORWARD THESE DOCUMENTS TO LAS VEGAS POLICE, CAUTIONING THEM THAT APPENDIX 19, WHICH HAS NEVER BEEN RELEASED IN AUSTRALIA, SHOULD BE USED DISCREETLY.

2. DEPARTMENT IS NOT PREPARED TO FORWARD THESE DOCUMENTS DIRECTLY TO LAS VEGAS POLICE, NOR TO BE PART OF CHAIN OF TRANSMITTAL WITHOUT ASSURANCE THAT BOTH THE VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE GOA ARE AWARE OF WHAT MAY BE INVOLVED. LAS VEGAS POLICE MAY WELL HAVE IN MIND SUBMISSION OF THESE DOCS TO COURT IN LEGAL PROCEEDINGS OR OTHER USE IN WHICH THEY MIGHT BE MADE PUBLIC.

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* ONLY INTEREST IN MATTER WAS TO COMPLY WITH REQUEST FROM
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2. PLEASE ADVISE IF REPORT SHOULD BE REF#TURNED TO MELBOURNE. 44

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3. WE CAN SEE NO PARTICULAR WAY IN WHICH USG CAN BE HELPFUL IN THIS SITUATION. WE DO SEE TWO ALTERNATIVE POSSIBILITIES.

A. IF CONGEN AND VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT ARE AGREEABLE, DEPARTMENT CAN TURN DOCUMENTS OVER TO AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY HERE WITH SUGGESTION THAT IT MAKE DIRECT CONTACT WITH LAS VEGAS POLICE, FIND OUT WHY DOCUMENTS ARE WANTED, AND THEN DECIDE FOR ITSELF WHETHER IT WISHES TO GIVE DOCUMENTS TO THEM.

B. ALTERNATIVELY, IF GOVT OF VICTORIA DOES NOT WISH TO INVOLVE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA, VICTORIA POLICE MAY WISH TO COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH LAS VEGAS POLICE, ASCERTAIN WHAT THEY WANT WITH DOCUMENTS, AND THEN MAIL DOCUMENTS DIRECTLY TO LAS VEGAS IF SATISFIED THIS IS RIGHT COURSE. 44

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RE QUESTION PARAGRAPH TWO REFTEL, SUGGEST DEPARTMENT
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SUBJECT: Hubbard Association of Scientologists International

TO: The American Consulate General, MELBOURNE.
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Reference is made to Melbourne's Despatch 77 of December 22, 1960.

Enclosed is a copy of a report from the Office of Security, dated March 11, 1961, concerning Lafayette Ronald Hubbard and the various "scientologist" organizations which he has formed.

In view of the rather questionable nature of Mr. Hubbard's activities, further correspondence of a querulous nature from the Hubbard Association of Scientologists International should not be acknowledged. Please forward to the Department copies of any such correspondence received.

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Report on Hubbard Association of Scientologists International.

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The apparent suicide of ex-topless dancer Susan Carol MEISTER, 23, aboard the yacht "APOLLO" at Safi on June 25 has Apollo officials visibly worried the girl's parents may force an investigation into the ship's activities. Peter WARREN, spokesman for the 360-member crew, 50 per cent of whom are Americans, told a visiting American consular officer that the Operation and Transport Corporation, Ltd. of Copenhagen would offer the parents a "sufficient" sum to ward off any legal or publicity complications.

Warren, an intelligent, well spoken British national, said that while the company, which purports to operate floating business research/training-management programs aboard the Apollo and five other smaller vessels, has nothing to hide, it still fears what he called "renewed interest" from British and perhaps, American intelligence services. report of October 1969 indicated that Warren was avoiding contact with the American Consulate General in Casablanca for fear of running into "intelligence officers.) Warren refused to discuss specifics of the alleged intelligence interest but, in a private conversation with the Consular Officer, he said he would be prepared to provide more specific answers to questions if it became absolutely necessary.

The Pacha (Mayor) of Safi, in an interview in Safi on June 28 with the American officer and Panamanian Consul General Romulo Zappi-Pere, made it very clear that he considered the Apollo representatives his "close friends" and that his office was prepared to hinder, if not block, any unilateral non-Moroccan investigations into Miss Meister's death or the ship's activities. The Pacha said his police were convinced the death

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Statement of Captain Norman P. Starkey

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was a suicide and that the Apollo was not doing anything illegal in Morocco.

There was nothing to indicate the death was not a suicide, the conclusion of Capt. Norman Starkey's report (enclosure). However, it was remarkable that the girl's personal belongings were so quickly removed from Saffi, without notifying the American Consulate General in Casablanca. In short, there was nothing available to compare handwriting on the reported suicide note, which unfortunately was not "immediately available for inspection" by the visiting Consular officials. A few other loose ends, such as why the press reported the victim's name as Catharine ORSSE, born 1949 at Philadelphia, and why the girl shot herself with the left hand when she was right-handed, were never adequately explained. (When the latter fact was inadvertently revealed by the Apollo's captain, Mr. Warren quickly noted that Miss Meister was ambidextrous in such activities as sports.) It was also curious that despite two attempts to talk with the owner of the gun, "Peter" simply was never available.

The Consulate General believes that further unilateral investigation into the incident is impossible, given the Pacha's attitude toward the Apollo and the fact that the vessel is Panamanian registered. However, the Panamanian Consul General is aware that the existence of an unlicensed revolver aboard the ship could cause complications for him from his government should American press, congressional or government interest become too pressing.

During the Consular official's champagne-spiced tour of the vessel, he got the distinct impression that neither Mr. Warren nor the Apollo's resident representative, Miss Meredith Thomas of Tangier, really expected or cared if the officer believed the story of a floating business research firm. On the other hand, there was nothing visible to indicate the story was a complete fabrication or, more important, that anything illegal was carried out aboard the ship. It should be noted, however, that all efforts by the Consular officer to talk privately with any of the other "crewmen" were deftly blocked by Mr. Warren.

The Panamanian Consul General admitted later that he could not accept the Apollo's story about its activities and that he had heard from a paid informant in Rome that the vessel was part of a Mafia operation run through a connection in Naples. The American Consular officer suggests that while Mr. Zappi-Pere knows more than he admits, he himself remains ignorant of the motive behind the whole affair.

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The vessel, although in good running condition, is rusty, cramped and certainly lacks the atmosphere of a possible floating brothel. At least half the crew are men and the girls seen aboard are frankly not that eye-catching. And despite local interest in foreign women, the ease of bringing women into Morocco by commercial aircraft or other cheap means would not give the Apollo a chance from the competition standpoint. The possibility that the ship is involved in drugs -- or arms -- smuggling seems remote in view of the ship's limited movements (mostly along the Moroccan coast), the excessive number of crewmembers (and potential informants) and the high operational cost.

Equally, the proposition that the Apollo is a floating orgy or nudist colony seems unreasonable since the vessel is usually at dock, where excessive noise or flesh would certainly become well publicized in Morocco. One cannot immediately reject the idea that the Apollo is spawning a new life philosophy or spiritualist cult, but it seems strange that such an organization would not engage in some open publicity to attract adherents.

The most interesting new aspect of the Apollo affair is the existence of five other vessels. Mr. Warren was deliberately vague on the location and operations of those other ships except to say that they were much smaller vessels and were "involved" in "similar" activities as the Apollo. However, Apollo captain, Norman F. Starkey, did mention that one of these vessels was being sold to acquire a "much faster ship". (Captain Starkey, despite three years of Apollo seamanship training, still banters such terms as "the ceiling", the "rear" and "the smoke stack", and was happy to have the Consular officer to explain to him the term "fantail".

In summation, one gets the impression at this point that perhaps the Apollo operation is designed to create a mystery simply to attract attention away from the activities of the Operation and Transport Corporation, Ltd. and its other five unpublicized ships.

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Enclosure No. 1 - Undated letter, addressed to the American Ambassador

Enclosure No. 2 - Letter of September 29, 1960, addressed to American Consulate General, Melbourne.

Enclosure No. 3 - Consulate General's letter of December 22, 1960.

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On October 3, 1960, this office received a letter dated September 29, 1960, from the same address as the previous letter, which was initialed illegibly on behalf of "L. Ron Hubbard". This letter (Enclosure No. 2) asked this office to turn over to the Melbourne office of the Association the names and addresses of any person who has "complained" about Scientology. A reply to this letter was still being considered when the Department's transmittal slip arrived on October 28, 1960. A copy of the reply dated December 22, 1960 is Enclosure No. 3.

This office has recently inquired of the office of the Chief Secretary of Victoria whether an investigation was indeed conducted on the activities of the Association in Victoria, and what results this investigation revealed. The Chief Secretary's Office informed us that, as a result of numerous complaints about the Association, an informal investigation had been initiated. When it was, there were complaints from all over Australia from supporters of the movement. The investigation did not reveal any serious malpractice or infringement of the law, and so it was dropped.

COMMENT:

The irrational and puerile tone of the letters and publications of the Hubbard Association of Scientologists International, which purports to be a learned and scientific group, would indicate that it is run either by self-deluded persons or by shrewd individuals out to exploit naive victims. Since the organization has come unfavorably to the attention of local officials and the medical profession, it would be very useful to have a background report on its activities in the United States, and in particular on its founder and president, L. Ron Hubbard, whose office address is given as 1812 19th Street, Washington, D.C.

There is, of course, no truth to the allegations in the Association's letters that the American Consul in Melbourne is dealing with "peculiar" companions, that he is being used in an attack made on the Association and that he has stated that he has received many complaints about the Association.

The delay in answering the Department's DS-4 is regretted, but the necessity to undertake a thorough search of the files and the pressure of more pressing duties, prevented an earlier reply.

Frank S. Hopkins

Frank S. Hopkins
American Consul General

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Enclosure No. 1 To Despatch No. 1
From AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL
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The American Ambassador,
American Embassy,
Canberra, A.C.T.

cc: American Consul,
Melbourne.

Dear Sir,

We have reason to believe that you or your office may have been approached over the last few years with perturbing tales concerning persons who claimed to be Scientologists or to practice Scientology or Dianetics. We have to inform you that since that time and before bona fide Scientologists have made every endeavor to clean out all criminal or subversive elements from their ranks throughout Australia. In fact this formed subject of a letter to the Chief of Police Victoria in November, 1959.

You may or may not have knowledge of the intense attacks that our organizations in America were subjected to between 1950-1953. In all cases these attacks and vicious rumors were found to be communist in source and with the aid of the FBI and private agencies these attacks died down to practically zero by 1955. Attacks were instigated in England between 1952-54 from the same sources and these were once again countered. Over 3 million dollars by actual record were spent by subversives in their fight (court cases, libel, slander, plants) to wipe out Dianetics and Scientology. Needless to say they failed and there is now use of our organizations on each continent of earth.

It is with some surprise therefore that we now find in Australia over the last nine months the same attack being instigated, the same false rumors being circulated as took place in America in 1950-53. It appears that U.S. and Australian communist activities are closely co-ordinated. On investigation we have found each attack in Australia communist engineered.

This month we were amazed to find stated in the communist press an article

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From AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL
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HUBBARD ASSOCIATION OF SCIENTOLOGISTS
Inc. in Arizona, U.S.A.

157-9 Spring St., Melbourne, Australia. FB 3396

2nd flr., 110 Bathurst St., Sydney MA 7734

29th September, 1960

American Consul Melbourne,
American Consulate,
7 Commercial Road,
Melbourne.

Sir,

It has come to my attention that you are reported to have doubted that the Hubbard Association of Scientologists International in Melbourne was an American company and have been quoted as saying that "there has been a number of complaints" and that "there has been a great deal of trouble with it in America".

The H.A.S.I. has successfully fought Communism for ten years and is currently winning against Communism in Australia where it has been under attack. A magazine has already apologized for its libelous articles.

Please turn over to my office in Melbourne the names and addresses of any person who has "complained" to you about Scientology and the identities of any persons making libelous remarks concerning us.

For your information, we have doubled in size and numbers every year for the past ten years. If there were anything seriously wrong with us or our people we long since would have vanished. The H.A.S.I. was incorporated in Arizona in 1952, 1954 and in Washington DC, in 1958. It has done business in Australia, as well as in other nations abroad, since 1955.

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December 22, 1960.

Mr. L. Ron Hubbard,
President,
Hubbard Association of Scientologists
International,
Second Floor,
110 Bathurst Street,
Sydney.

Dear Mr. Hubbard:

I refer to your letter of September 29, 1960, in which you allege that this office has stated that it has received a number of complaints against your Association and that you have been in great trouble in America. You ask us to turn over to you the names and addresses of persons who have complained to us about Scientology.

It is quite untrue that we have made such statements as you allege. We are not in a position to turn over to your office names and addresses of persons who have complained to us about Scientology.

If you wish to pursue the matter further, I would suggest that you arrange to have your Melbourne representative call at this office to discuss it.

Sincerely yours,

Frank S. Hopkins
American Consul General

From the "Truth" - June 9th. 1960 ?

GOVERNMENT RESPONDS:

The Chief Secretary, Mr. Ryiah, has ordered an inquiry into the activities of Scientologists.

The Government action follows a report on Scientologists sent to the Chief Secretary by the Victorian secretary of the British Medical Association, Dr. R. Dickson.

Mr. Dickson said this week he had brought some information about Scientologists to Mr. Ryiah's attention.

Asked if the B.M.A. had sought Government action against Scientologists, Dr. Dickson replied: "Not entirely".

Scientology is said to be a branch of psychology which enhances human ability.

When used by a trained or untrained person it is claimed to improve health, intelligence, ability, behavior, skill and appearance of people. U.S. 1957.

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It is interesting to note that we are daily uncovering facts which may be of great interest to the Federal security services and that key personnel in this current attack are subversives.

Our members in each state of Australia wish to lodge protest with you over this current attack from the BMA in Victoria. Last year we uncovered various facts in attempted attacks from the Perth BMA and further evidence of communist infiltration.

It is probable that Australia is not used to communist tactics and how to handle them like America is. Hence we have mailed to every Senator in Canberra and every state MLA and MLC in Australia the U.S. 'Brainwashing manual'. We have made this gesture in the sincere hope that Australia will not succumb to the vast communist plots against them and we feel that America has something to offer them in know how against communist subversion, hence we are bringing this matter to your attention for your most urgent action.

I enclose a 'Brainwashing' manual, and a circular that was sent to all Senators in Canberra and all the parliamentarians in Victoria. I also enclose some material which tells of the nature of Scientology.

I hope that you will help us in this matter.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

E. Williams

Secretary to the Executive Director

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REF

Scientology is described by its American founder, Lafayette Ron Hubbard, in advertisements, as "the world's largest mental health organization". According to the British press, a spokesman for the Scientology Foundation of New York recently defined it as a religious philosophy teaching "processes which bring about a heightened awareness and validation of self". A commission of inquiry established by the State of Victoria, Australia, concluded in 1965 that scientology is, however, "the world's largest organization of unqualified persons engaged in the practice of dangerous techniques which masquerade as mental therapy." As a result of this finding, the legislature of Victoria adopted the Psychological Practices Act, which effectively terminated scientology in that state.

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Some years ago, Hubbard established an International Headquarters and a residential College of Scientology at East Grinstead, Sussex. A residential college also operates in Edinburgh, and non-residential courses are given at a center in London. Numerous instances of disturbance of the peace and other offensive practices provoked the East Grinstead Town Council to demand that the Government act against the scientologists, and members of Parliament from the area have raised the matter on at least three occasions in the House of Commons. In 1966 and 1967 the Minister of Health responded by denouncing Scientology as "potentially harmful to its adherents," based on findings of the Australian Commission and reports from local British authorities. The Minister expressed hope that such comment would be sufficient to deter gullible persons who might be tempted by the cult's advertisements.

Unfortunately, as the Minister of Health admitted when the subject was brought up again in the House on July 25, 1968, these warnings were inadequate. Scientology has flourished and now claims 150,000 registered members in the United Kingdom and a weekly income of £64,000 from "course" fees, exclusive of funds derived from sale of Hubbard's voluminous writings. The Minister, therefore, announced that the Government had now found that Scientology is "socially harmful" ("Its authoritarian principles and practice are a potential menace to the personality and well-being of those so deluded as to become its followers; above all, its methods can be a serious danger to the health of those who submit to them.") and had issued the immigration ban mentioned above. In response to pressures for the establishment of a British commission of inquiry or for direct action against the organization itself, the Minister responded that he and the Home Secretary "shall continue to keep a close watch on the situation and are ready to consider other measures should they prove necessary."

In the meantime, the immigration restrictions have had considerable impact. Hubbard himself, who was out of the country when the ban was announced (cruising in the Mediterranean on one of the organization's three yachts, or "sea orgs") was affected by the ban and was thus unable to preside over the International Congress and sent several tape-recorded speeches instead. Some 200 foreigners attending courses at the East Grinstead College whose residence permits were expiring have been given 30 day extensions to make arrangements for departure. Several newspapers that carried feature articles exposing the claims of Scientology have been sued for libel, and three members of the East Grinstead Town Council who proposed the resolution urging the Government to ban the organization have been sued for slander, as has a Member of Parliament who repeated on television what he had said in the House. In these legal actions, the organization styles itself the "Church of Scientology of California," although this is not one of the names under which Scientology is legally registered in the United Kingdom.

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Dear Mr. President,

We sadly enclose the attached letters and documents merely for your information and for that of your close advisors who can ensure for you that this matter is handled properly and swiftly.

Respectfully yours,

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Dear Gentlemen:

We feel that the enclosed reports are most vital to your Committee in that those reports involve officials of the United States Government:

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2. Threatening the destruction of this Company's vessel of Panamanian registry.

3. Threatening to murder the vessel's company of 360 men, women and children, many of whom are Americans.

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5. Plainly demonstrating that the State Department and CIA act on false information.

We became involved with the American Consul in Casablanca due to the tragic suicide of a 23-year old American named Susan Moister, who had been aboard our vessel for a scant four months. Miss Moister was a member of the Church of Scientology of California, a client company of ours, and was part of that group's drug rehabilitation programme sent to us for administrative training in the hopes that she would be of assistance in the project to establish drug rehabilitation centers in California. Miss Moister was herself formerly addicted to drugs and was well acquainted with the sub-culture in America.

Unfortunately, her suicidal tendencies were unknown to us. According to her mother, Mrs. George Moister of Greeley, Colorado, Susan had previously attempted suicide at the age of 16 by taking an overdose of pills. She was released after a year's psychiatric treatment under Dr. Fairchild of Denver. This psychiatrist stated to her mother that she was perfectly all right and that her sole troubles were really due to her father; however, Mrs. Moister claims

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her daughter never really recovered and was continuously threatening suicide. All this is given in strictest confidence merely to explain how it came about that we were visited by Mr. Galbraith, Vice-consul in Casablanca, the man sent by his senior, Mr. Nelson, to see to the necessary documents and investigation required.

Mr. Galbraith showed little concern in this matter except to state continuously that he wanted no publicity. Our Company has had to handle the advisement of Miss Meister's death to her family, has had to push to try to obtain official documents which could be sent to her family, has had to send Miss Meister's belongings to her family and are currently trying to arrange for her remains to be sent to America for burial at our Company's expense.

All Mr. Galbraith has done is to threaten our death and destruction should we cause him any more trouble, as if the suicide of Miss Meister was something which we had ourselves caused just to make trouble for him, his senior and the U.S. Government. Further, Mr. Galbraith has made all manner of accusations about our activities. In fact Mr. Galbraith has conducted himself criminally in this whole matter, as the enclosed document reveals.

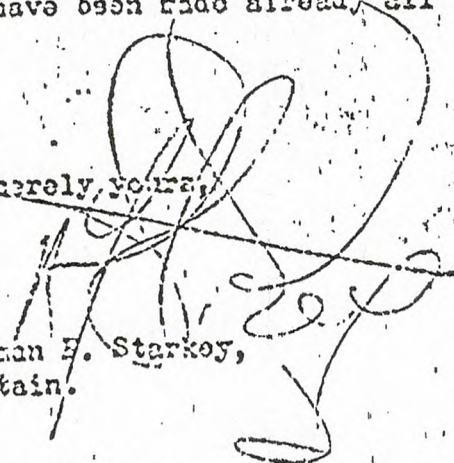
We are deeply anxious now about the safety of our vessel and those who sail in her. We have taken steps as best as we can to protect ourselves from some sudden and mysterious catastrophe as the enclosed letter to Attorney General Mitchell states.

Furthermore, uttering such things in public here only 72 hours after an attempted and unexplained coup d'etat against the head of state could easily draw the blame for it upon the President and CIA and cause reprisals against all Americans.

We ask of your Committee that it take action to ensure our protection and survival and that these men, Mr. Galbraith and Mr. Nelson, are handled by the Attorney General for having made such criminal threats.

We report this to you well understanding that it could mean further reprisals against us as threats have been made already all too plainly.

Sincerely, Yours,


Norman E. Starkey,
Captain.

cc: The President of the
United States

The Attorney General

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Mr. John Mitchell
Attorney General
Justice Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

We feel that it is very definitely your concern when official representatives of the United States Government make threats against the lives and safety of Americans and other nationals abroad.

Such threats were made to our Company officials on Tuesday, July 13th, by Mr. Jack Galbraith, Vice-consul from the American Consul in Casablanca, and in the presence of witnesses.

Mr. Galbraith was sent to Safi, a port in Morocco, by his senior Mr. Nelson in order to help obtain the death certificate of Miss Susan Holster, a young American who unfortunately committed suicide aboard our vessel on June 25th. The full particulars concerning her suicide are contained in the enclosed documents.

Already in a state of shock over this tragedy, we are now dreadfully concerned over the welfare of our 360 officers and crew. Such officials as Mr. Galbraith and Mr. Nelson, have no right to link the name of the President of the United States with criminal actions and threats. They have no right to blacken the name of the C. I. A. to foreigners and to Americans abroad. They have no right to leave us frightened and desperately worried over the lives of all the men, women and children aboard our vessel.

In the hands of our attorneys in three countries we are placing the full documentation of this matter with orders to immediately release it to all news services should any further black propaganda campaign or any violent action or sabotage or damage occur with regard to this vessel.

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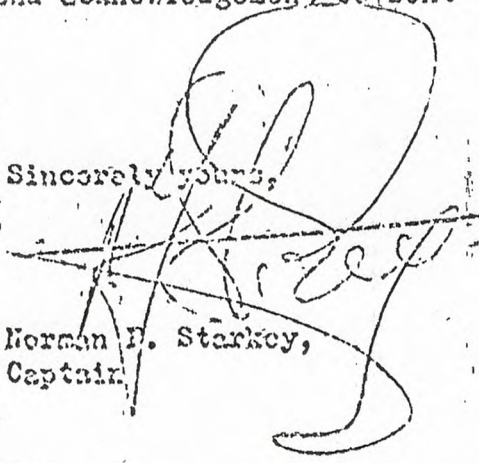
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The ill-advised actions of Nelson and Galbraith came only 72 hours after a mysterious attempted coup against the head of state of this country and such public allegations against the President and America could well trigger a new situation that would threaten American lives and property. If this is your Ambassador's policy here, he too should be recalled.

We ask that you take immediate steps to have these officials recalled and have them tried for their criminal actions and threats.

Further, we ask the assurance of your Government that no such actions will be carried out against our vessel and those who sail in her, and ask that such assurance and acknowledgment be sent to us immediately.

Sincerely yours,


Norman F. Starkey,
Captain.

cc: The President of the United States

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee

The Secret Service

YOUR REF. :

OUR REF. :

14 July 1971

Secret

The Secret Service
U.S. Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

We understand that it is not only your duty to protect the person of the President of the United States, but that it is also your duty to protect the President from any criminal use of his standing by others. On this basis, please find the various documents and letters enclosed.

It is really a very shameful matter when officials of the State Department deliberately link the name of the President of the United States with that of criminal actions such as the sinking of our vessel off Libya and with the threatening destruction of our vessel of Panamanian registry and the murder of 380 men, women and children aboard.

The situation is made even worse by an attempted coup d'etat against the head of this country (Morocco) 72 hours ago. Such irresponsible officials could easily shift the blame for it to the U.S. with such public statements.

Action should be taken by you immediately to uphold the honor and integrity of the President.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Morgan E. Starkey,
Captain

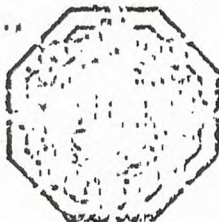
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To Whom It May Concern:

I, PETER DAVID WARREN, OFFICERS REPRESENTATIVE AND PORT CAPTAIN of the Yacht APOLO, in the ownership of OPERATION AND TRANSPORT CORPORATION LIMITED PANAMA, presently berthed in Safi Morocco, do hereby take my oath and swear as follows:

1. On 12 July 1971, I went at 12.00 to the restaurant in Safi known as ELI GAZEL, in company with Rose Chiriac, Hostess on board the Yacht APOLO, driven there in a diplomatic car by the Vice Consul of the United States of America in Casablanca, Jack Galbraith, where we were entertained to lunch by Mr. Galbraith until after 15.00 that afternoon.

In the course of that lunch and subsequently in the lounge aboard APOLO Mr. Galbraith at various times stated to me the following:

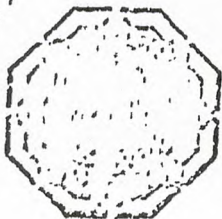
2. That he did not want to go to the trouble of infiltrating someone on board, so I should tell him what the APOLO really does - not give him this story of business management, in which the company is engaged.
3. That it was unbelievable that the ship APOLO is a floating business management company, and asked me to give him something more believable, such as that it was a brothel, or a casino, and that it did not matter that this should be false.
4. That he would prefer I told him that it was a brothel.
5. He referred to the members of the Church of Scientology as a bunch of hooks, and stated that that is perfectly all right.
6. He stated that if the ship was in fact part of the Church of Scientology, the CIA would not be interested in it, only if the ship was politically engaged would the CIA be interested.

7. If the ship APOLO caused too much discussion and mystery Nixon would order the CIA to sink the Apollo at her berth in Safi tomorrow, so that the USA would not have any more trouble than

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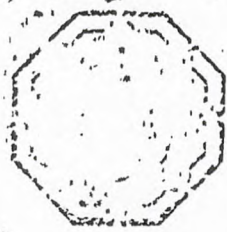
she presently has, being messed up abroad.

8. That if he wanted to, he (Gallbraith) could get the ship sunk at her berth in Safi tomorrow by the CIA.
9. That the CIA could easily sabotage the ship APOLLO by getting a couple of bottles of Coca-Cola into the oil, or even better commercial diamond dust, with the result that her engines would fail after some time at sea.
10. That Nixon once did order the CIA to sink a ship in Libya though there was no real reason other than that the ship was causing too many questions and too much trouble to the US whose position in Libya was bad.

Additionally, I do hereby take my oath and swear that the same GAIL GALLBRAITH did make the following statements to me aboard the yacht POLIO in the lounge on 15/7/71:

11. That he had heard it speculated and had so speculated himself as to whether the ship was concerned in prostitution, drug traffic, espionage or counter espionage. That it had been further speculated that the APOLLO was a part of a pornography organisation and was linking Denver and Los Angeles for the purposes of distribution of pornography, and that a report to this effect exists in the file on the ship APOLLO in the Casablanca Consulate General.
12. He advised that if the Church of Scientology was one of our clients we should get rid of them, as it has been proved in England that their being any good was an idea which was blown up in England.
13. He stated that if he were forced to make inquiries he would want names of companies we have assisted with business management, and indicating that there might be some pressure applied to us in the near future, against which we should supply such names so that they could be checked out, thus attempting to use threats to force disclosure of professional matters.

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14. Throughout his conversation, Mr. Galbraith attempted to get me to give another story for the company other than the true one, which would, if published as a company brochure as he urged on me several times, have brought this company to ruin.

So sworn this thirteenth day of July in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy one in the port of Safi.

Peter David Warren
Gorion Cottages,
Geldeston,
Beccles, Suffolk,
England

Witness

13025 Cimarron Avenue,
Gardena, California,
USA 90249

Witness

38 Ingram Avenue,
London NW 11.

To Whom It May Concern:

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2. Mr. Galbraith took us to this restaurant in a diplomatic car, and there bought us lunch. We left for the restaurant at about 12.00 and returned at about 15.00 in the afternoon, and I was subsequently in the lounge of the Yacht with Mr. Warren and Mr. Galbraith during a part of the time that they spent there.
3. In the course of the time that I was with Mr. Galbraith and Mr. Warren I personally heard Mr. Galbraith declare as follows at separate times, mostly during his conversation with Mr. Warren, sometimes talking to me:
4. That he could if he had to infiltrate someone on board the Yacht Apollo, that it was easy to do, but because it was expensive and would take a lot of work, he preferred that Mr. Warren should tell the truth about the Yacht APOLLO and save him the trouble, declaring that the statement that the Yacht APOLLO is a part of a business management company as made by Mr. Warren was not true.
5. Later Mr. Galbraith stated that he might have to supply details about the Yacht APOLLO and what it did, and if so, he wanted to have a better story to give than Mr. Warren's statement, and that he did not mind if the statement were true or not.
6. In reply to Mr. Warren's question as to whether he was under pressure to get information about the Yacht APOLLO, Mr. Galbraith replied that he was.
7. Mr. Galbraith speculated and viewed the possibilities that the ship was a brothel, engaged in drug traffic, or casino, and as

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separate times stated that he would not care if he were told that any of these were the case. He stated that he thought it was best to state that the ship contained the religious cult of Scientology books, in which case the ship would not be touched.

8. He stated that if the ship was religious it would not be of any interest to the CIA, and that only if the ship was politically engaged would the ship be of interest to the CIA.
9. By stating that an account of the ship as different to being a business management company would be acceptable to him as something he could tell Nelson, by stating that he did not care if some false account of the ship were given him by Mr. Warren, by suggesting that Mr. Warren should publish a brochure containing such an account, he attempted to get Mr. Warren to give an account of the ship other than the true one.
10. Mr. Galbraith stated that if a new story were not given, and if the ship should arouse too many questions, he (Galbraith) would get the Yacht APOLO sunk tomorrow in her berth in Soffi. He would not do this himself he said, but would get the CIA to do it.
11. He stated that it would be easy for the ship to be dealt with if necessary; it would only need two bottles of Coke in the oil intake, or some diamond dust, and the engines would give up some way out of port.
12. He said that if the ship became an embarrassment to the United States Nixon would order the CIA to sink or sabotage it.
13. Mr. Galbraith stated that Nixon had once ordered the CIA to sink a ship in Libya, not because it was doing anything in particular or anything wrong but simply because it was causing too many questions and the position of the US in Libya was bad enough, and that the CIA had sunk the vessel.

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*** SUMMARY ***

George Meister, father of a girl who apparently killed herself in June aboard the private yacht "Apollo" in Safi, left Morocco after a three-day private investigation convinced that there was foul play involved. Despite various threats from Apollo representatives, including one under the Department's name, Mr. Meister said he intended to do his utmost to discredit the Church of Scientology, which is connected with the 390-crew Apollo and which Mr. Meister feels is somehow responsible for his daughter's death. Apollo representatives are concerned that Mr. Meister, working through U.S. Government channels, may be able to have the Apollo organization kicked out of Morocco as apparently was done in England and Greece.

George MEISTER, a 52-year old Colorado shoe salesman, left Casablanca on July 27 certain in his mind there was foul play involved in the apparent suicide of his daughter, Miss Susan Carol MEISTER, aboard the private yacht "APOLLO" in Safi on June 25. Meister said that, while he never expected to prove foul play, he planned to return to the United States to launch a legal and publicity campaign against the Church of Scientology and the Apollo which he believed were somehow responsible for the death.

Meister said that he had learned from a Rev. MARIN of the Los Angeles branch of the Church of Scientology that Miss Meister, 22, had been sent by that organization to the Apollo in February 1971 for "training". According to Apollo spokesman Lt. Peter David WARREN, (dpob 24 April 1943,

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London, England), the church is only one "client" of a purported business management/research firm headquartered aboard the Panamanian-registered Apollo with its crew of 390. Warren did admit, however, that about half of the crew were members of the Church, headed by L. Ron HUBBARD, the ship's commodore. (Meister requested an interview with Hubbard, who was aboard the vessel during Meister's two-day visit to Safi. It was not granted.)

Meister had interviews with the Pasha (mayor) of Safi, several police officials, the city's equivalent of the district attorney, and the Moroccan doctor who performed the autopsy. All were most polite but reluctant to discuss the case in detail since the file had been sent to the Juge d'Instruction (similar to a grand jury) in Marrakech for a final review. However, all officials remained convinced that the official verdict would be suicide simply because there was no evidence available to the contrary.

During Meister's stay in Safi, accompanied by the reporting officer, he learned from police photographs that his right-handed daughter had shot herself in the center of the forehead with a .22 cal. Colt target revolver (unlicensed and therefore illegally aboard the ship). She had used the thumb of her left hand to pull the trigger on the long-barrelled weapon and, apparently, used her right hand to aim it.

Miss Meister left a note which Mr. Meister verified was in her handwriting. The note, which could have been interpreted as a statement that she was leaving the vessel, was dated June 24, the day before she died. (Mr. Meister said that Rev. Marin, whom he saw prior to his visit to Morocco, said that the girl had earlier stated she wanted to leave the ship and return home to meet a former boy-friend who had just returned from Vietnam.) The girl was dressed in a cotton dress which she normally wore only when she went ashore. The dress was hiked up about the waist, a fact that puzzled the investigating police inspector, who commented that Miss Meister had been very tidy in all other aspects of her suicide.

Both Warren and Chief Petty Officer Joni VAN HOECKE, a 30-year old former cruise line hostess, had reported that Miss Meister had gone into a depressive state about three weeks prior to her death. Miss Van Hoecke, always at Meister's side to make his stay "in any way" more comfortable, also said that Miss Meister's "work" had seriously deteriorated during the final weeks. However, in interviews aboard the ship with reportedly close friends of Miss Meister, Meister and the Consular Officer concluded that the girl had remained in a cheerful state even through lunch of the fatal day. And the girl's supervisor in the "Personal/Administrative Training" section, 14-year old Lt. Robin ROOS, said he never had work or disciplinary problems with Miss Meister.

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The local police permitted Mr. Meister and the reporting officer to examine the application apparently signed by the girl prior to her arrival aboard the Apollo. In the document Miss Meister admitted to having used LSD, hashish and other "drugs"; of having undergone "drying-out" at a mental health center in Colorado; and of having been convicted of shoplifting. (The application, interestingly enough, does not ask questions about education, prior work experience or even what position the applicant seeks. Immediately following name, address, age, etc. are questions pertaining to LSD experience, criminal records, etc. The application also does not indicate what organization it is for.)

Warren, in a private conversation with the Consular Officer, said that his "office" (presumably the Apollo's owners, the Overseas and Transportation Company, Ltd. of Copenhagen) had films of Miss Meister as a topless dancer and in "other roles". They would be willing to use them as necessary to stop any action by Mr. Meister against the Church of Scientology or the Apollo. (Mr. Warren also indicated that his "organization" could "ruin the career" of any Foreign Service Officer who caused the ship undue problems.)

On the morning of Meister's departure, Meister called the American Consulate in Casablanca to say that he was accosted at the airport by a well-dressed young man who told him "We know who you are and why you are here. The CIA and the FBI have been watching you. If you make any more trouble for the State Department, you've had it."

Mr. Meister also reported by phone that earlier the same day Mr. Warren said his organization was willing to consider giving Mr. Meister a (unspecified) sum of money to avoid further complications. According to Mr. Meister, he refused to discuss the subject further. Later, Mr. Warren admitted to the reporting officer that he "had brought up the subject" with Mr. Meister, but "nothing has been definitely decided".

Meister said he and his attorney brother did fairly extensive research on the Church of Scientology prior to his trip to Morocco. While he admitted he was unable to understand the end motive of the organization, he was convinced that its creator, Ron HUBBARD, former science fiction writer, is insane, and the organization itself is a threat to humanity. In short, he is gunning for the Church and the ship. However, we must agree with him that it is very unlikely that his daughter's death will be proven anything other than suicide.

Mr. Meister's visit had two effects: It was obvious that the authorities in Safi, especially the Pasha, were concerned that the presence of the Apollo in their city could become an embarrassment. Interestingly, the same day Mr. Meister left Casablanca, the Apollo moved to Agadir and, according to Mr. Warren, planned shortly to sail for Lisbon for a "stay".

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Warren also privately expressed concern that Mr. Meister, working through U.S. Government channels, might be able to have the Apollo organization kicked out of Morocco, "as has been the case in England and in Greece". (Mr. Warren's passport showed that he made frequent trips into Greece in 1968 when the Apollo reportedly ran into trouble with that country's Government and had to leave.)

The second solid result of Mr. Meister's visit was the admission by Warren that there was a connection between the Apollo and the Church of Scientology, a connection previously denied. The extent of this connection and its purpose, however, remain a mystery, like practically everything else aboard the Apollo.

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The Consulate General was surprised by the crudeness and puzzled by the purpose of the allegations in the referenced affidavits submitted by Mr. Peter WARREN et al of the "Apollo". Vice Consul William J. Galbraith Jr., the primary target of the allegations, had reported earlier (see Casablanca A-61) that Mr. Warren had indicated his "organization" could "ruin the career" of a Foreign Service Officer and, at the July 13 lunch mentioned in the affidavits, Mr. Warren had made a thinly disguised threat against Galbraith's personal safety (not previously reported to the Department).

We are aware that when Mr. George MEISTER, father of Miss Susan Meister, left Casablanca on July 27 after his investigation into the alleged June 25 suicide of his daughter aboard the private yacht "Apollo", he said he was convinced that somehow the Apollo and/or the Apollo's "client", the Church of Scientology, was responsible for his daughter's death. He told Vice Consul Galbraith that he intended to do his utmost to discredit the ship and the church and it is quite possible that he made his intentions quite clear to Mr. Warren.

Interestingly enough, Mr. Warren requested an appointment with Galbraith on July 28 at a downtown Casablanca hotel, the day after Mr. Meister left the city for the United States via Frankfurt. Mr. Warren bluntly told Galbraith that he anticipated Mr. Meister would try to launch a "smear" campaign against the Apollo, designed to kick the ship out of Morocco. Mr. Warren asked Galbraith if Mr. Meister would or could use Government channels (including Mr. Warren's favorite agency, the CIA) to accomplish his purposes. Galbraith replied frankly that if

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Mr. Meister stirred up enough congressional interest, the U. S. Government probably would be forced to take a closer look at the Apollo with any number of possible (unspecified) results. Mr. Warren then said he really was not that concerned about Mr. Meister since he had enough material, including compromising photographs of Miss Meister, to "smear Mr. Meister before he tried to smear us". Mr. Warren added that "we have learned from a smear campaign from British Intelligence that the best defense is fast, strong offense."

We can only conclude, then, that Mr. Warren tried his tactics in hopes of blocking any government channels Meister might use. We would be very curious to learn if similar tactics have already been used against Mr. Meister.

We wish to point out that Mr. Galbraith went to Safi on July 13 at Mr. Warren's telephoned request. Warren said the Vice Consul should be present when the death certificate for Miss Meister was registered in the Safi city records. Galbraith told Warren that it was unnecessary for him to be there, but Warren insisted, adding that he was acting at the request of the Pasha (Mayor) of Safi. Galbraith spent the day of July 13 in Safi only to discover that it was impossible to see the Pasha and that there was no death certificate available. (The death certificate is still unavailable since the file on Miss Meister's death is undergoing a higher-authority review in Marrakech pending a final verdict as to cause of death.)

Vice Consul Galbraith, asked about the allegations, reported the following:

A. In regard to the most serious allegation, that of threatening the Apollo, Galbraith does recall discussing in general terms the subject of sabotage. The topic somehow arose early at lunch following mention of Moroccan port security measures after the July 10 attempted coup d'etat. Mr. Warren first had mentioned several WW II tales of ship sabotage involving acid on electrical wiring, etc. Galbraith volunteered that when he was four or five years old, playing filling station attendant at his home, he ruined his grandfather's car by pouring Coca-Cola or a similar soft drink into the vehicle's gas tank. Mr. Warren noted that something similar could be done to a ship's fuel supply. Galbraith remarked "I suppose so". Later Galbraith also remarked that he had read somewhere where diamond dust was used to destroy engines. Miss Jane CHIRIASI (introduced to Galbraith and later to Meister as Miss Joni Van Hoecke) was present at the lunch and, since it appeared her comprehension of English was limited she asked Galbraith to explain in French. This was done.

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Later during the lunch Mr. Warren asked Galbraith if the CIA (obviously a real fear to him or to his organization) performed sabotage. Galbraith said he did not know. Mr. Warren then cited a book, possibly the "Invisible Government", stating that the CIA performed sabotage under orders of the President. Warren then asked if the CIA, like the British M-5, was interested in the Apollo. Galbraith, who did not take the question seriously since the tenor of the conversation thus far had been light if not flippant, said he doubted the CIA, which he understood dealt with political affairs abroad, had much interest in the Apollo, "unless you turned out to be an international spy ship threatening the free world." (Mr. Warren replied in the same vein that the Apollo actually had a clandestine submarine in its hold and was running spy missions into Morocco on behalf of Dr. NO (a James Bond character).

A few minutes later, according to Galbraith, Mr. Warren asked if President Nixon gave the order, would the CIA blow up the Apollo, using frogmen? Galbraith replied that he seriously doubted President Nixon or the CIA could "give a damn about the Apollo".

It was quite later, near the end of a three-hour lunch paid for by Mr. Warren, that Mr. Warren, this time in a serious mood, informed Galbraith that the Apollo would not "tolerate" unnecessary investigation and his organization, backed by plenty of money and powerful friends in high places, could cause a "nosy vice consul severe problems". Warren added that, in Saffi where the Apollo was well liked, "accidents could easily happen to people".

Galbraith replied that he interpreted that as a threat both against himself and the United States Government and that he, Galbraith, did not take such threats lightly. Mr. Warren immediately tried to regain a sense of flippancy and remarked that he hoped Galbraith, as a result of "misinterpretation", would not have the CIA blow up the Apollo. Galbraith remarked that the conversation was getting rather childish and certainly was uninteresting to the young lady, Miss Van Hoeck, who, from the puzzled look on her face, did not understand much of what was said.

Mr. Warren then turned to her and announced that "Our Vice Consul believes I am threatening him. He will come down to the ship tomorrow and pour Coca-Cola in our fuel. You are supposed to seduce him so he won't do that kind of thing."

In summary, Galbraith never threatened the Apollo in any manner.

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As to the other sworn statements, Mr. Galbraith told Mr. Warren, in the company of several other persons aboard the ship, that he personally did not accept as the full story that the Apollo was a business/management research firm. Galbraith however said that, as far as he understood, what he personally believed did not matter since the ship was Panamanian and operating in Moroccan waters. He said he cared only about the formalities of the girl's death (an American citizen).

Mr. Warren and Apollo Captain Norman S. Starkey both, on several occasions, told Galbraith that they were aware that there were numerous rumors circulating in Casablanca and in Agadir to the effect that the ship was anything from a floating brothel to a drug operation. Galbraith said that he too had heard these reports (which is quite true) and commented that few people with any business sense could accept the business management story. Galbraith further said he himself could accept more readily the story that the ship was a floating brothel, although he knew from the composition of the crew (about half men) this was not the case. (This was said in a jovial - not serious - manner.) Galbraith added that if Mr. Warren could produce names of business firms with which the Apollo had dealings, then perhaps he could accept the business/management story. (Mr. Warren simply said he could not do that.) Galbraith further stated that he anticipated the parents of Miss Meister would ask the Consulate General in Casablanca to provide details regarding the circumstances of the girl's death (which was the case) and thus he was under pressure to find out about the ship and the girl's death.

The rest of the alleged statements contained in the affidavits are complete fabrications and do not justify further comment.

For the record, Galbraith would like to add that he admitted to Mr. Warren that his newly purchased Japanese electric cigarette lighter was not, as Warren suggested, a CIA concealed camera but really a gnomish ray gun issued by the Office of Strategic Services (OSS). Also, in the company of Panamanian Consul General Romulo ZAPPI-PERE, Galbraith told Captain Norman Starkey that, contrary to Starkey's suggestion that a CIA or Secret Service agent be invited to visit the ship in Safi to satisfy their (CIA/Secret Service) curiosity, that perhaps it might save time to send to Washington samples of the Apollo's "orgasm" charts. Warren had showed both visiting officials samples of these unidentified "progress" graphs and said that he was "aware that the CIA and the State Department were convinced the Apollo held nightly orgies and the charts represent participants' progress". Warren also had invited the Secret Service Agent in Rabat and the Casablanca Consul General to come to Safi to watch the blue flash between the Apollo's masts when the ship transmitted its secret radio messages to Algeria.

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Galbraith also stated that he never had serious hostile feelings against Mr. Warren or Miss Van Hoecke, both of whom were at Galbraith's home for cocktails and once for breakfast (with Mr. Meister) as late as July 25, 1971. He admitted that when he was threatened he was annoyed and was certainly irritated when Warren threatened Mr. Meister, but never lost his temper.

Until now the Consulate General has found it difficult to take the Apollo itself and its personnel all that seriously. We had speculated, at least until it became clear with Mr. Meister's arrival in Casablanca that the Church of Scientology was definitely linked to the ship, that the Apollo was perhaps a sort of make-believe world of rejects created to draw attention away from other activities of the OTC with its five unpublicized ships. However, we are now beginning to conclude that the Apollo and the other ships are nothing more than floating branches of the Church which obviously is obsessed with fear of any exposure. Exactly what the Apollo has to hide, we at the Consulate General do not know. It is interesting to note that Warren once told Galbraith that he feared British Intelligence because a "powerful group of psychiatrists are working with M-5 (sic) because they don't like our business methods." We are not sure we like them either.

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At 11 a.m. August 16, 1971, the reporting officer visited the Panamanian Consul General Romulo Zappi Pere at the latter's request, to discuss recent developments of the case of Miss Susan Meister and the "Apollo". Mr. Zappi Pere said he wished to report that another American citizen had died at an Overseas and Transportation Corporation, Ltd. (OTC), "reception home" in Tangier on or about August 14. (We refer the Department to separate communications on this affair from the Amcongen, Tangier.) He also reported that there was another American at the same facility who was paralyzed in the legs, and he was concerned that the Apollo organization (OTC) might not handle the situation properly and felt that he should notify us personally.

The reporting officer told Mr. Zappi Pere that he was aware of the Tangier situation but wished to bring to Mr. Zappi Pere's attention the fact that the Apollo "crowd" had on July 30, after the departure of Mr. George Meister, sent to the Department and other government agencies a series of sworn affidavits (prepared on July 14) charging the reporting officer with threatening the safety of the Apollo and its crew. Mr. Zappi Pere replied that only an idiot could take such allegations seriously but what bothered him was that both the ship and the OTC were Panamanian-registered concerns and had no right to do anything without first consulting him.

It was explained to Mr. Zappi Pere that the primary reason the Amcongen Casablanca had decided to notify him of these developments was to prepare him in the event the Apollo group launched a similar attack against him.

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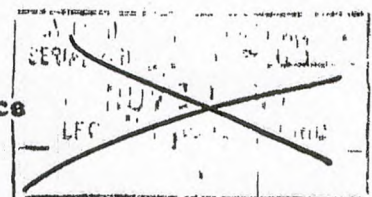
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The reporting officer mentioned that Lt. Peter Warren, an Apollo spokesman, had referred to compromising photographs of Miss Maister and had stated that the "organization" was prepared to use such material to stop any action by Mr. Maister against the Apollo or the Church of Scientology.

Mr. Zappi Pere, red in the face, immediately said, "They have nothing against me. Did they talk about photographs of me?" He assured Mr. Zappi Pere that Mr. Warren had said little about him except that he, Mr. Warren, "had to pay Zappi quite a bit of money." (This had been said to the reporting officer on several occasions with the implication that if they could afford to pay off Mr. Zappi Pere, they [Apollo] could pay the reporting officer. Mr. Warren only once explained that he paid Mr. Zappi Pere money to "keep things going smoothly.") He told Mr. Zappi Pere that we personally believed that Mr. Warren's statements were just as phony as his statements about the reporting officer.

Mr. Zappi Pere slammed his fist on his office desk and shouted that "Those bastards better never threaten me. I can account for every little penny." He then added, "I can blow them up in 24 hours." The reporting officer asked in a light vein if Mr. Zappi Pere was threatening the Apollo and Mr. Zappi Pere said, "But I can. I have enough evidence against them to make sure they never have a license (apparently meaning a flag registration) again. I have already told them, in fact on Saturday (August 14) they had better stop giving me trouble or I will have them kicked out of Morocco. And those fools do not have nowhere (sic) to go now."

The reporting officer excused himself as Mr. Zappi Pere was trying to call Miss Meredith Thomas, the GYC resident representative in Tangier. Mr. Zappi Pere's parting remarks were: "I believe we have all had enough trouble with this group. They are crazy. I will call you tomorrow (August 17)."

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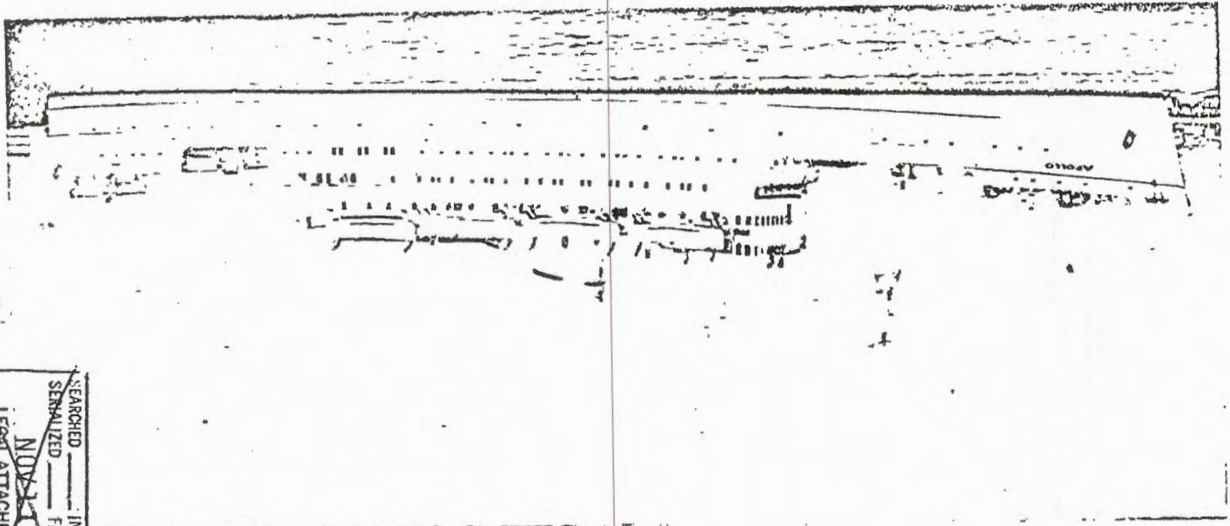
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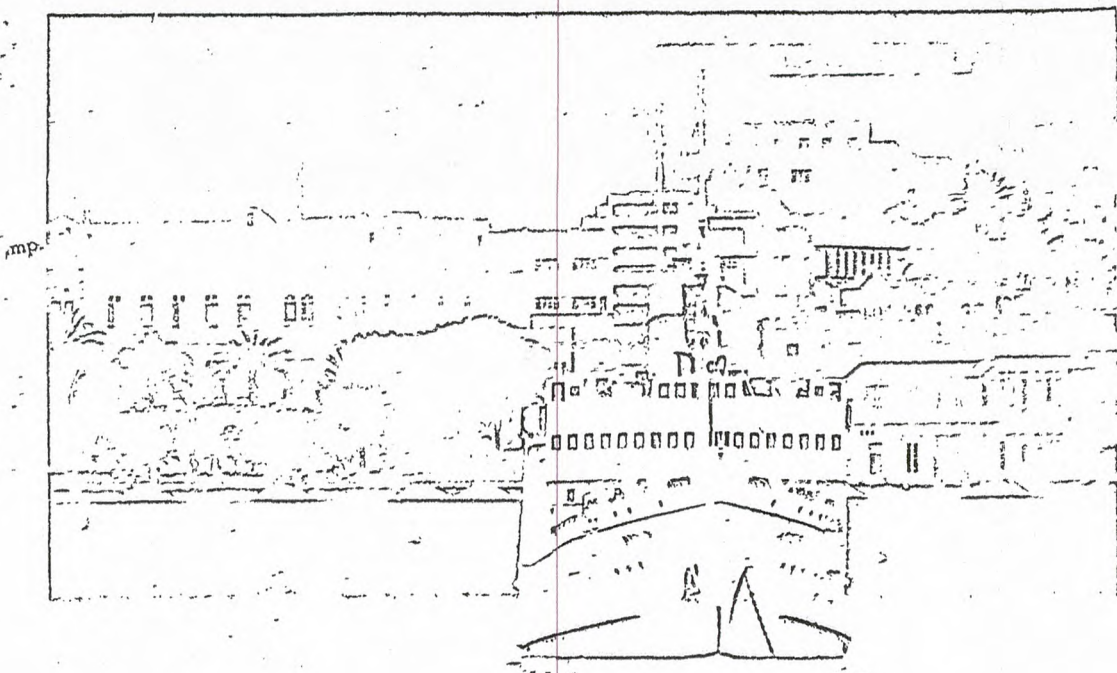
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In response to a question in the House of Commons on January 27, Richard Crossman, Secretary of State for Social Services, announced that he had appointed Sir John Foster, a Queen's Counsel and Conservative MP for Northwich, to conduct an official, but private, inquiry into the practice and effects of scientology. He said the Government expects to publish the full report, but in any event the results would be published.

Some MPs questioned whether it would be fair to take testimony in private, thus denying those accused an opportunity to reply. Crossman said he had pondered the point for some weeks but had finally decided on a "semi-privileged" inquiry because many of the witnesses would be "people of a nervous nature who are not going to face cross-examination and public examination."

After Crossman's announcement, the executive committee of the Church of Scientology met and issued a statement that they would boycott the inquiry unless six conditions were fulfilled: (1) the terms of reference of the inquiry were approved by them; (2) the inquiry board consist of "fair and impartial" persons; (3) the Government bear all inquiry costs; (4) all religious philosophical groups be included; (5) the inquiry also investigate "who is attacking the Church of Scientology and why"; and (6) the inquiry be broadened to include all mental healing, including psychiatry. There is no prospect that the Government will meet these demands.

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MPs also asked Crossman if the inquiry would look into Scientology's "character assassination" of its critics, but he said he is more concerned with guarding "innocent people with weak minds" than members of the Government and Parliament. An example of this type of attack is a leaflet distributed in London by scientologists the day before the inquiry was announced. It stated in part: "(Home Secretary) Callaghan, Crossman and (former Health Minister) Robinson follow the orders of a hidden foreign group that recently set itself up in England which has as its purpose the seizure of any being whom they dislike or who will not agree, and permanently disabling or killing him."

Pending the report of the inquiry, Crossman stated that the ban on foreigners entering the U. K. to work or study at scientology establishments would remain in effect. He indicated that the inquiry had become "highly desirable" because of "remarkable changes" in the six months since the ban was announced. It is assumed that Crossman was referring to reports of the continued growth of scientology and plans to open additional centers in provincial cities.

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That British officials may be contemplating other steps might be suggested by the fact that the Embassy's Legal Attache has had requests from British police for information concerning some of the Americans involved. These inquiries revealed that Hubbard and others have petty criminal records in the United States. The U.S. Internal Revenue Service office in London has for some time been compiling information on Hubbard and his organizations for tax purposes.

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